



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
REGION 10
1200 Sixth Avenue
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April 15, 1993

Dean Fowler, Project Manager
Utility Division
Spokane County Public Works
1026 West Broadway
Spokane, Washington 99260

Re: Colbert Landfill, 90% Remedial Design, Approval

Dear Mr. Fowler;

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has reviewed the "Preliminary Phase II Design Plans and Specifications, Colbert Landfill RD/RA Project," dated March 3, 1993. The Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) has also received and reviewed these documents. The review has not raised any issues or problems which are inconsistent with the National Contingency Plan (NCP), Scope of Work (SOW), or Consent Decree. Therefore, based on this review, this document is approved.

This letter does not provide approval of the specific technical details of the design plans and specifications as to whether they will function as stated or not. Spokane County still has the obligation to complete the final plans and to implement them according to the terms of the Consent Decree. The EPA approval provides documentation that EPA has received and reviewed the document for consistency with the NCP and Consent Decree, timeliness of the delivery, and whether the submission was complete as delivered.

A comment is enclosed for your consideration. While this specific comment and/or recommendation does not change this approval, you should consider the comment before implementing this plan.

This EPA approval is important for proceeding with the work under the terms of the Consent Decree. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (206) 553-7177.

Sincerely,

Neil E. Thompson
Project Manager

Enclosure

cc: Kuntz, Ecology; Mackey, ORC

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Comments
Preliminary Phase II Design
Plans and Specifications
Colbert Landfill RD/RA Project

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency did not perform a detailed engineering review of the Plans and Specifications for the 90% Design. The level of review was to determine if the project was designed according to the previously approved planning documents; especially the Consent Decree, Scope of Work, Work Plans, and "Final Treatment and Discharge Plan, Phase II Remedial Design/Remedial Action, Colbert Landfill, Spokane, Washington." This was not an "errors and omissions" or value engineering type of document review.

The following is a specific comment on the plans and specifications:

Table of Contents - Divisions 4 and 14 are not included nor is there any reference in the text to those divisions. We realize that Divisions 4 and 14 under a recognized format probably do not apply to the project and can be omitted, but neither the format nor reason for omission was stated.